

1850

Pres Millard Fillmore ordered a
new stove for the White House
but he had to show the
White House Chef how to
use it.

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Tuberculosis (consumption)
accounted for up to $\frac{1}{4}$ of
the deaths in London, N.Y., Paris

Sept 28, 1850

An act of Congress outlawed
flogging as a means of
punishment in the U.S. Navy.
This applied to merchant vessels
as well.

Jan 29, 1850

Henry Clay introduced in the Senate a compromise bill on slavery which included the admission of California into the Union as a free state.

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1849-1852

250,000 emigrants came to
California on the California
Trail

1849-1852 - Peak years

looked like an army on
the move.

I buried every 10 mi
Trail went past Chimney
Rock, Nebraska & then

branched to the South.

Left Independence, Mo.: To
Fort Kearney on River Platte
From Westport Landing, St. Joseph,
Council Bluffs also.

sweetwater River; crossed Great
Divide at South Pass; Fort Hall on Snake R.
Cal. Trail continued down Snake toward
California

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California Trail

1841-1848 2,735

1849 (gold rush) 25,000

1850 44,000

1851 1000

(High mortality from Cholera
in previous yr. Est. 20,000

died on the trail between 1841-1859

10 graves per mile of Trail.

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on the Cal. Trail

Disease was the number one killer:
Scurvy, smallpox, tick-borne fever,
but mostly cholera.

From Mc Bride's Camp of 1850 cholera
killed at least 2,000 even before they
could reach Fort Foreman.

Drownings took a heavy toll; Platte
& Green swallowed 37 that yr.

Sep. 9, 1850

The Territory of California
was admitted to the Union

Mar 16, 1850

"The Scarlet Letter," Nathaniel Hawthorne's novel about adultery, revenge and redemption in Puritan Massachusetts was first published

c 1850 ±

The sewing machine
was perfected.